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MEMORANDUM RESPECTING FINANCES OF NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD COMMISSION.

Hon. Wm. Paterson,
Minister of Customs,
Ottawa.

Dear Mr. Patterson:—

I enclose herewith copy of memorandum respecting the finances of the National Battlefields Commission as on the 31st March, 1910, to be laid on the Table of the House of Commons.

Yours very truly,

T. C. BOVILLE,
Deputy Minister of Finance.
Ottawa, April 6th, 1910.

T. C. Boville, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Finance,
Ottawa.

My Dear Boville:—

I have the honour to enclose herewith a report of the finances of the Battlefields Commission to the 31st March, 1910. All the expenditures have been sent to Mr. Forsyth and I shall be glad if he will transfer quickly to the Audit Office, as I desire to have all accounts audited and passed so that I may turn the balance over to Mr. Dunsford.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

(sd.) J. M. COURTNEY,
Hon. Treas. Nat. Battlefield Commission.

Memorandum respecting the Finances of the National Battlefields Commission as on the 31st March, 1910.

The last memorandum was presented to the Commissioners on the 31st October last which included the interest credited by the Banks to that date. The present memorandum is prepared in consequence of the change in the office of the Hon. Treasurer, and does not include the interest accrued to date. One half year's interest of the funds in Ottawa will be credited on the 30th April (the current month) while the half year's interest of the funds at Quebec will be credited on the 30th June. The rate of interest allowed is $3\frac{1}{2}\%$. There are no further subscriptions to be received as far as the Hon. Treas. is aware. All the items of expenditure to the 31st March have been submitted to the Finance Depart-

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ment together with all the accounts to that date. There only remain to complete the vouchers a few cheques drawn before the end of the month which are outstanding and not paid by the bank, but all accounts duly receipted have been transmitted to the Finance Department.

With this preface the Hon. Treasurer submits the statement of affairs.

Balance, B. of Montreal,		Government	\$300,000.00
Ottawa	\$240,693.09	Subscriptions	488,251.34
" Quebec	105,340.11	Contractor's securities . . .	4,790.00
	<hr/>	Pageants	32,280.88
	346,033.20	Refunds	3,730.69
		" Land Sales	391.90
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			829,444.81
Less cheques outstanding.	389.17	Less cheques drawn . . .	483,800.78
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	345,644.03		345,644.03

Taking the receipts and payments, the amount of cash dealt with by the Commission exceeds \$1,300.00.

In the above statement the amount of cheques drawn is stated to be \$483,800.78, made up of payments for services as follows:—

Contractors' securities repaid	\$ 4,790.00
Battlefields charges	14,605.79
Deduction from land sales	220.85
Purchase of properties	137,384.54
Tercentenary	326,799.60
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	\$483,800.78

The total amount received on account of the Battlefields with interest is \$488,251.34

To this has to be added the sale of materials from the Cauchon property	391.90
Refund of overpayment, F. G. Todd	2.00
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	\$488,145.24

For which have been paid:—

Charges of management	\$ 14,605.79
Deductions from sales	220.85
Purchase of properties	137,384.54
Leaving available	152,211.18
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	336,434.06

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Out of this fund all expenses are now payable, and having regard to the fact that the English contributions are understood to be applied toward a monument, it will be as well if no funds are appropriated by Parliament to restrict the expenditure for the purchase of lands as was pointed out in the memorandum of October 31st last to \$200,000 or \$220,000.

The Tercentenary expenditure is to be found in the statement appended hereto—to put the matter in a summary statement, the account is as follows:—

Government Grant..	\$300,000.00
Sales of tickets	32,380.88
Refunds.	3,728.69
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	336,009.57
Expenditure.	326,799.60
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Balance..	\$ 9,209.97

During the month of April (the current month) the balance has been reduced by a payment of \$500 to the sum of \$8,709.97.

Against this there are the following liabilities:—

Tablets say	\$ 1,700.00
Champlain Society..	5,000.00
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	\$ 6,700.00

There may be a few dollars of expressage and repairs on account of the piece of silver to be presented to Mr. Lascelles, and the cost of the balance of the Tablets is rather a guess work based on the amount already paid; but these expenditures should be closed immediately, the business of the Tablets has remained open for a considerable time. It would be advisable as early as possible to close the Tercentenary accounts and transfer the small balance to the Battlefields Fund. The balances agreeing with the Bank books are:—

Balance Tercentenary	\$ 9,209.97
For purchase of properties	336,434.06
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	\$345,644.03

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TERCENTENARY CELEBRATION
EXPENSES COMPARED WITH APPROPRIATION, 31st March, 1910

NAME OF APPROPRIATION	Amount	Sale of Tickets	Refunds	Total	Expenditure	Excess	Saving
Contingencies	\$ 5,000.00	.....	.....	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,208.73	\$ 1,208.73	.....
L'Abitation de Quebec	5,000.00	.....	.....	5,000.00	5,293.79	293.79	.....
Le Don de Dieu	12,000.00	.....	13.50	12,013.30	9,703.58	.....	2,309.72
Musical Programme	8,000.00	.....	.....	8,000.00	5,993.60	.....	2,006.40
Decorations	18,500.00	.....	.....	18,500.00	18,733.10	233.10	.....
Tablets	5,000.00	.....	.....	5,000.00	1,757.50	.....	3,242.50
Men of the Watch	2,000.00	.....	.....	2,000.00	1,837.50	.....	162.50
Athletic Sports	5,000.00	.....	.....	5,000.00	5,000.00	.....	.....
Fire Works	15,750.00	.....	.....	15,750.00	16,187.00	428.00	.....
Pageants	109,000.00	32,280.88	3,154.04	144,434.92	154,006.11	9,571.19	.....
Stand Monument Champlain	2,500.00	.....	.....	2,500.00	3,505.12	1,005.12	.....
Medals	3,000.00	.....	.....	3,000.00	3,643.54	643.54	.....
Reception of H. R. H.	50,000.00	.....	198.59	50,198.59	43,992.63	.....	6,205.96
The Prince of Wales	15,000.00	.....	.....	15,000.00	15,000.00	.....	.....
Local Aid for Visitors	7,000.00	.....	114.25	7,114.25	9,919.80	2,805.55	.....
Officers and Men	6,250.00	.....	.....	6,250.00	6,139.42	.....	110.58
Posters	9,000.00	.....	.....	9,000.00	5,324.10	.....	3,675.90
Stand, Military Review ..	2,000.00	.....	36.54	2,036.54	1,962.88	.....	73.66
Press	20,000.00	.....	211.97	20,211.97	12,600.20	.....	7,611.77
Expenses, Commissioners, Guests and Officials	\$300,000.00	\$ 32,280.88	\$ 3,728.69	\$336,009.57	\$326,799.60	\$ 16,189.02	\$ 25,398.99
				\$ 9,209.97		\$ 9,209.97	